GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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Revival of Urea Plants by PSUs
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government proposes to assign revival work of closed urea plants of Hindustan Fertiliser Corporation and Fertiliser Corporation of India to profit making and financially sound PSUs like ONGC, NTPC CIL etc;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any assessment has been done to find out the expenditure likely to be incurred on various such urea plants;

(d) if so, the details thereof, plant-wise; and

(e) the time by which the PSUs are likely to start revival of closed urea plants?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) & (b): In view of poor response from bidders for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Gorakhpur and Sindri Units of Fertiliser Corporation of India (FCIL) and keeping in view current market scenario, it is under consideration to revive Sindri and Gorakhpur units of FCIL and Barauni Unit of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFCL) through Joint Ventures of profit making and financially strong Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) of Ministries of Power, Coal and Petroleum & Natural Gas respectively.

(c) & (d) : No specific assessment of likely expenditure for setting up Urea plants at these locations has been made. However, the likely cost of setting up an Ammonia-Urea plant of 1.27 million MT capacity is approximately Rs. 6000/- crore.

(e): Revival process will start after formation of Joint Ventures and on receipt of all necessary approvals.

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